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**Statement by Speaker Cannon on the Appointment of DMS Secretary Jack Miles**

**Tallahassee, Fla.** – House Speaker Dean Cannon released the following statement regarding Governor Rick Scott’s Appointment of Jack Miles as the Secretary of the Department of Management Services (DMS).

“The Department of Management Services has serious organic flaws.

“In 2010, the Florida House passed legislation to increase accountability and oversight within DMS by moving the Department under the purview of the Florida Cabinet. Governor Scott indicated his clear intention to reform the Department, and my desire to provide him the opportunity to initiate these reforms by leaving DMS under the purview of the Executive Office of the Governor was our primary impetus for removing the legislation passed by the House from consideration for a veto override during the Special Session last November.

“I know that Governor Scott recognizes the clear defects in the Department’s ability to provide appropriate supervision and to take responsibility for critical projects, and we are looking forward to working with Governor Scott and Secretary Miles to review their plans to rectify the significant structural issues within the Department.”

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